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Method of using wood to render images onto surfaces

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

is attached hereto

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Applicant, Patentee, or Identifier: \_\_\_\_\_

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Title: Method of using wood to render images onto surfaces

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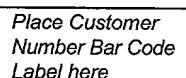
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